### Notification of Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act

**Date posted:** November 4, 2004

**Institution:** Kepler College of Astrological Arts & Sciences

**Nature of request:** Authorization to offer a new program in Washington State

Program

to be offered: Master of Arts in Eastern and Western Astrological Traditions: The History,

Philosophy and Transmission of Astrology

**Current authorized** Associate of Arts in The History and Symbology of Astrology

**programs offered:** Bachelor of Arts in Astrological Studies

## **Background:**

Kepler College of Astrological Arts and Sciences has been authorized to offer degree programs in Washington State since March 26, 2000. The majority of the instruction is delivered via distance learning with resident symposia held in the Seattle, Washington area.

#### **Nature of the Review:**

Prior to granting authorization to offer new degree programs or credit-bearing courses in Washington State, the Higher Education Coordinating Board/Degree Authorization reviews elements such as program outcomes, course requirements, method of course delivery, faculty credentials, and student services as well as facilities and library resources.

The masters program to be offered by Kepler College of Astrological Arts & Sciences appears to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act.

A breakdown of the curriculum for the program can be found at the end of this notice.

#### **Timeline:**

The HECB plans to make a decision on this application by November 18, 2004.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to: <u>DAA@hecb.wa.gov</u>.

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, the statute is RCW 28B.85 and the regulation is WAC 250-61. They can both be found at the following link: <u>Statutes and Regulations.</u>

# **Master of Arts in Eastern and Western Astrological Traditions:**

TERM ONE:	
Introduction, Religion & Religious Theories, Transmission, Greek Astrological Terminology	
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Core:	
CSC-501 – Transmission of Astrology	3 credits
CSC-502 – Library Research Module	2 credits
CSC-503 – Philosophy of History	2 credits
Electives:	
GSE-506A – Definitions of Religion & Modern Theories of Religion of Celestial Origin	
GSE-506B – Eastern Religions	
CSE-506C – Comparative Mythology	
GSE-506Z – Studies in the Transmission of Ideas Between Cultures	3 credits
TERM TWO:	
The Ancient World, Religion & Religious Theories, History of Science	
Comparative Astrological Terminology	12 credits total
Core:	
GSC-601 – Astrology and its Place in the Ancient World	3 credits
GSC-602 – Comparative Astrological Terminology Module	3 credits
Electives:	
GSE-606A – Religion in the Ancient World	3 credits
GSE-606B – History and Mathematics in the Ancient World	3 credits
GSE-606C – Indus Valley Civilization and Vedic Culture	
GSE-606D – Hellenistic Astrologers	
GSE-606E – The Vedas (Rigm Sama, Yajur and Atharva) and the Upanishads3 credits	
GSE-606F – The Hermetic Tradition3 credits	
GSE-606Z – Cross-Cultural Studies in the Ancient World	3 credits

TERM THREE:	
The Medieval World, Religion & Religious Theories, History of Science12 credits total	
Core:	
GSC-701 – Astrology and its Place in the Medieval World6 credits	
Electives:	
GSE-706A – Religion in the Medieval World3 credits	
GSE-706B – History and Science and Mathematics in the Medieval World3 credits	
GSE-706C – Neoplatonism and its Impact on the Middle Ages3 credits	
GSE-706D – Brihat Jataka and Brihat Samhita	
GSE-706E – Mantreswata-Phala Deepika and Kalyana Varme-Saravali3 credits	
GSE-706F – Ficino through Campanella: Studies in Renaissance Astrology	
and Magic3 credits	
GSE-706Z – Cross-Cultural Studies in the Medieval World	
TERM FOUR:	
The Modern World, Religion & Religious Theories, Research Design &	
History & Philosophy of Science	
Core:  CSC 201 A strology and its Place in the Madern World  2 and its	
GSC-801 – Astrology and its Place in the Modern World	
GSC-802 – Research Design	
Electives:	
GSE-806A – Religion in the Modern World	
GSE-806B – History & Philosophy of Science	
GSE-806C – Theosophy: Its Impact on 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Consciousness Movements and Astrology	
GSE-806D – The Four Elements From Empedocles to Jung	
GSE-806E – Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism in Modern Practice	
GSE-806E – Finduish, Buddhish and Jamish in Wodern Fractice	
Eastern Astrology. The Impact of Western and Scredits	
GSE-806Z – Cross-Cultural Studies in the Modern World	
TERM FIVE:	
Thesis Research	
GSC-901 – Thesis Research and Preparation12 credits	